

**NATURAL RESOURCE INVENTORY
FOR THE TOWN OF
GRANBY, CONNECTICUT
EXCERPT FROM THE REPORT**

Prepared by the Town of Granby Conservation Commission

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This document is designed to be an information resource concerning the identification and protection of the natural resources within the Town of Granby. The information gathered within this report is intended to:

- Assist in the protection of:
 - open spaces
 - significant natural features
 - surface and ground water resources
 - forest and farm lands
- Identify:
 - areas of concerns regarding wildlife corridors and critical habitat areas
 - threatened and endangered flora and fauna
 - invasive species
- Provide
 - recommendations when considering future development

Development has been carefully planned to protect and preserve the natural resources while remaining sensitive to the need for growth. The Town has worked closely with property owners, the Granby Land Trust, and other volunteer organizations to acquire and maintain open space and farmlands to support this goal.

Based on the analysis within this document, recommendations are provided to ensure the continued protection of the natural resources within the Town of Granby. The recommendations are provided at the end of each chapter, and a complete summary of recommendations is listed in Chapter 3.0.

The Town of Granby is located in North Central Connecticut on the Massachusetts border. Granby is predominantly rural, with its planned development along the route 10/202 corridor forming the center of town. Its 41.3 square miles boast a number of unique features that contribute to its natural beauty while supporting its rich agricultural history. The landscape is a diverse mix, including scenic views, dense forest trails, cascading waterfalls and open farmland, as well as homes and businesses for its 11,000 residents. Notable natural features include Barndoor Hills, Enders State Forest and Falls, Lakes Manitook and Basile, Carpenters Falls, and the two symbols included in Granby's Town seal: the Granby Oak and Salmon Brook.